

Robert Howard his book,

Robt. Howard Comp. & ^{Griffiths} sent me this book

11th 2nd day of June, Anno Domini 1720



OF JOHN DAVIES OF HEREFORD
THE LIVELY PROTRACTURE

Mr. Writing Schoolemaster.
or The Anatomy of Faire Writing. Whercin is exactlie expressed,
with severall Character. Together with other Rules and Documents
coincident to the Art of faire & Speedy writing. 1636.

The Writing Schoolemaster

The Anatomie of Faire Writing

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to the Art of Faire & speedy writing

By Iohn Dauid of Heref.

Vivit post funera virtus

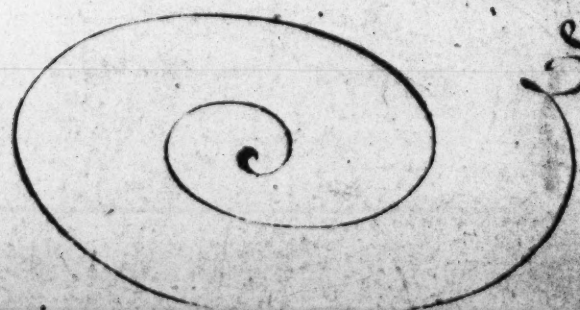
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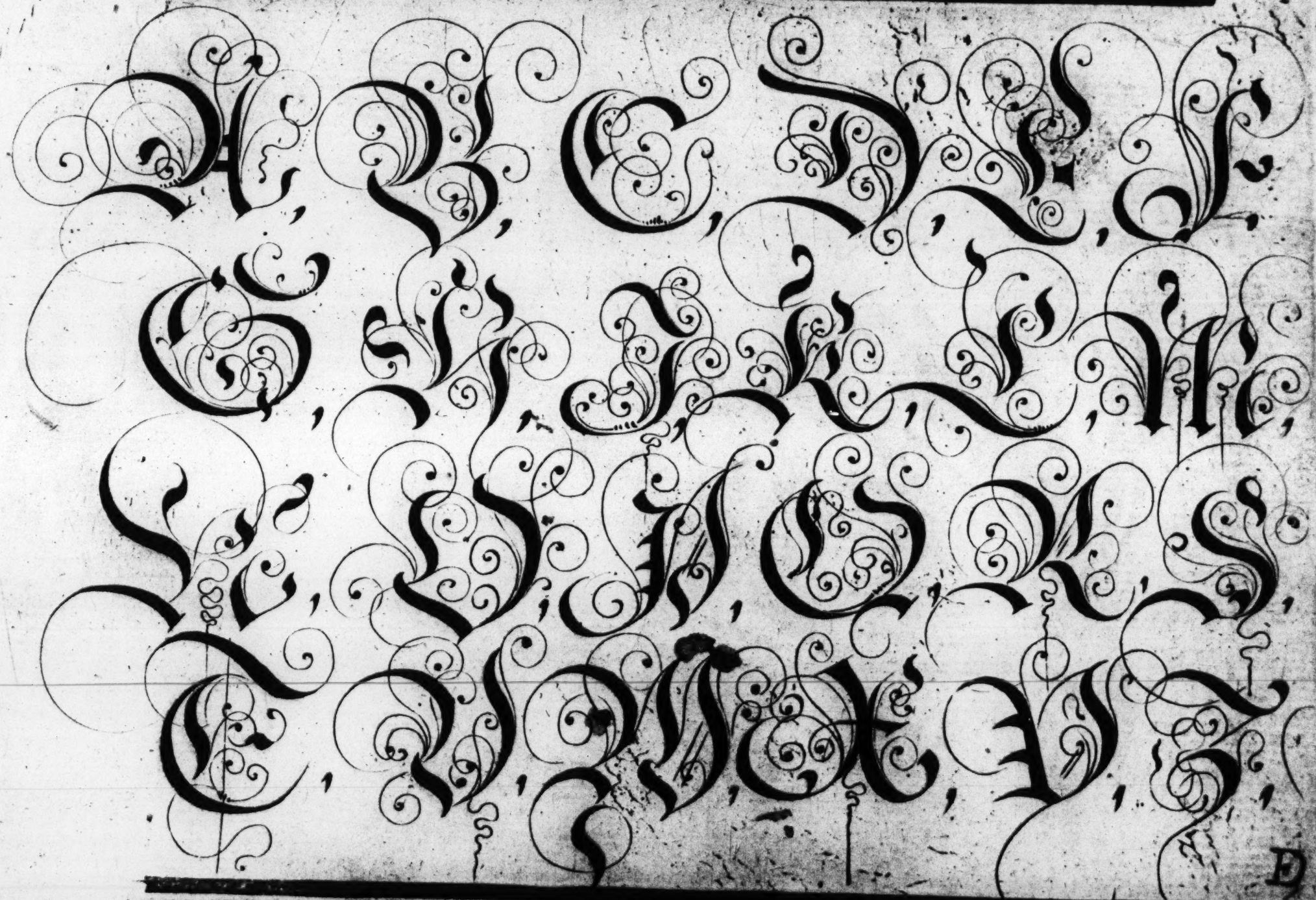
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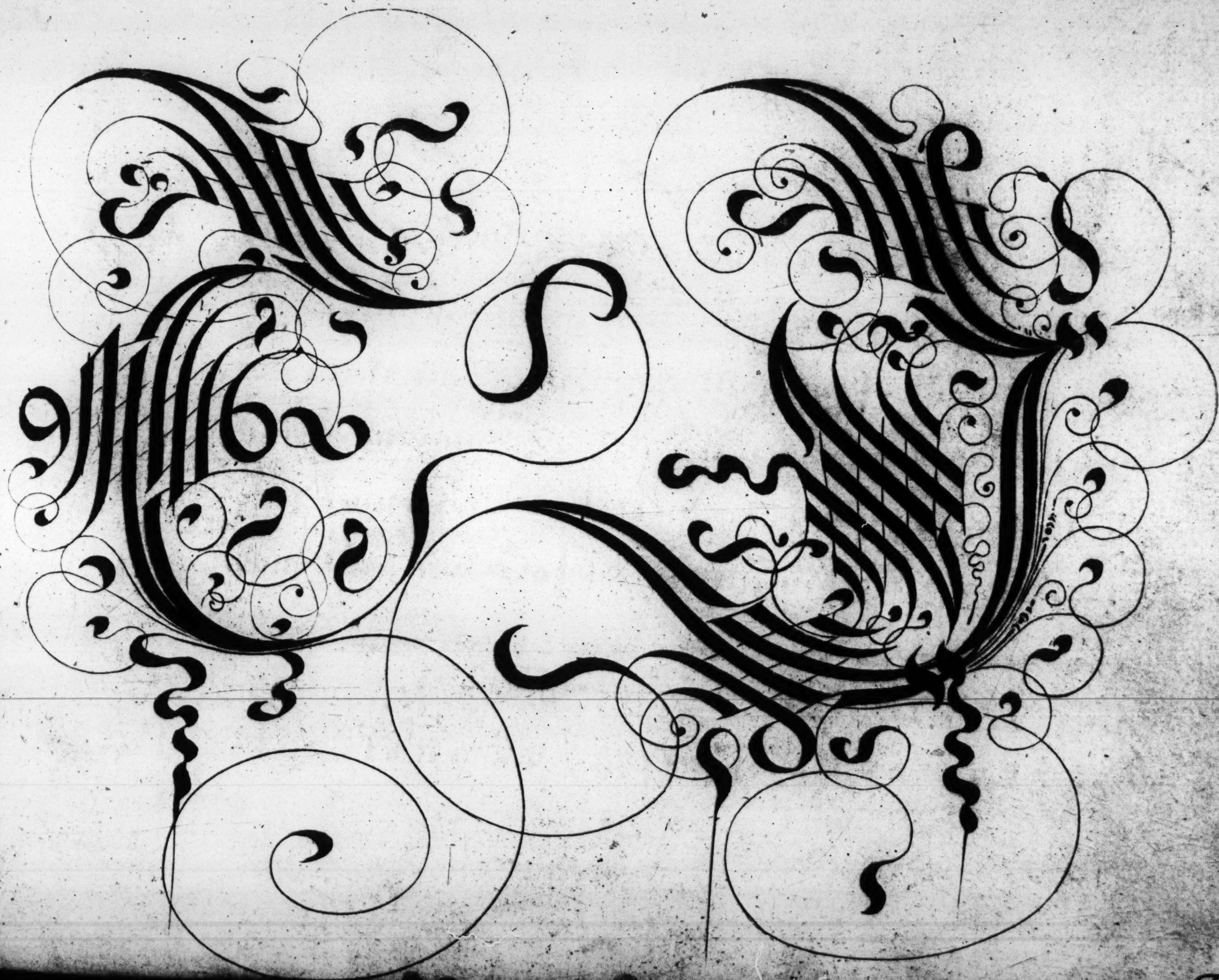


This image shows a page of calligraphic exercises, likely from a historical manuscript or a book of calligraphy. The text is written in a highly decorative, cursive script, possibly a form of Gothic or Blackletter. The letters are large and ornate, with many flourishes and ligatures. The exercises are arranged in rows, showing different variations of letters and combinations. The page is numbered '11' in the top left corner. The handwriting is very fluid and elegant, with a strong emphasis on the curves and loops of the letters. The ink is dark, and the paper appears aged and slightly textured. The overall style is characteristic of the late 15th or early 16th century.



R. A. A. A. Q. Q. Q. Q. Q.
C. C. C. C. C. C. C. C. C.
f. f. f. f. f. f. f. f. f. f.
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M. M. M. M. M. M. M. M. M.
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O. O. O. O. O. O. O. O. O.
P. P. P. P. P. P. P. P. P.
Q. Q. Q. Q. Q. Q. Q. Q. Q.
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T. T. T. T. T. T. T. T. T.
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V. V. V. V. V. V. V. V. V.
W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W.
X. X. X. X. X. X. X. X. X.
Y. Y. Y. Y. Y. Y. Y. Y. Y.
Z. Z. Z. Z. Z. Z. Z. Z. Z.





Reflex my verie hartie commendacions. Whereas yo^r
had communication with mee touching yo^r lane
our conference touching that businesse is unhap
pilye communicated unto M^r Actyne. Touching
of Tenney-toide who is verie willing to deal wth
you upon any reasonable termes, and bee yo^r tenant.

A B C D E F G H I K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

John Davies of Heref.

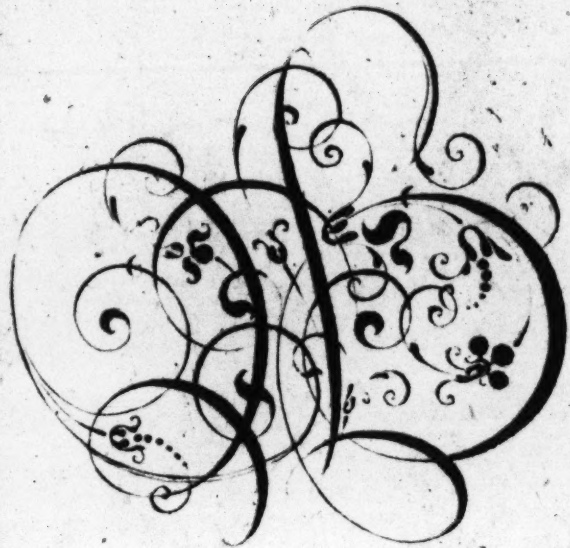
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y loving and most bening Lord give mee continuall
perseverance in this merite and I will ever remem-
ber the waie of this commandmentes; and y
loving merites will I never bee unminfull of. I
have chozen the immaculate way of this vpright
commandmentes, continue in it therin ever.

John Duns.

A B C D E F G H I K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z
a a b r d



vne more mathe, or in anye manner immoderattie,
 taken impaireth mannes memorie, contaminateth his
 minde & manners with manye pofutions, powreth into
 the imaginative powre of the Soule innumerable vi-
 sions opinions, and bringeth forth sluggishness &c.

A. b. c. d. e. f. g. h. i. k. l. m. n. o. p. q. r. s. t. v. u. w. x. y. z. &c.


a b c d e f g h i k

John Davies of Heref.


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9
to all true christian people to whom this present Writing or In-
strument shall come I Emmanuell Beconminte of Lang-
ford in the countie of Northampton & Esquier, do by these
presentes give and graunt to my Verie approved good servant
Nathaniell Benmerlowe all that my Mannor of Drage

John Davies
J.



innumerable are the annoyances, incommodities, wranglings,
 meanagements, and inconvenciences which euerie moment of
 time accompanie this momentarie vale of transitorie and
 momentarie vanitie. Prayer is the ordinarie meane to
 shunne and avoide these greivous incommodities & evils &c.



John Dauls.

ii
Coverunt univ[er]si per presentes nos Johannem Breunmonit & Almarick - lare
& Humphridum Newingtonne & Almarick - gaminge in comitatu Hereford
generosum tenens et iuxta obligari Edmunda Prodmextonne & Almarick
in comitatu predicto generoso in eundem mextid bone & legal moneta Anglie sol
rend eundem Edmundo aut suo recto Illuxuato hereditibus executoribus vel assigna
tis suis. Et quam quidem solutionem bene & fideliter facientes. Obligamus nos re

Jo: Davies of Hereford.

L

Hoverint vindicta per ipse me Johanne Lecomme de Monningtonne in
 Comitatu Montegomutroie. Sumptuum, tenere et firmis obligari. Willelmo
 Maynwaringe de Monicee - gannadque in Dom. Herefordi generoso in
 Centum meritis bonis et legalis monito Anglie solvens eidem Willelmo aut suo recte
 Attornato reddibus potestibus vel Assignatis suis. Sub quam quidam
 solutionem bonis et fideliter faciens obligo me et heredes executoris et Admistr
 meos huius ipse ipse meo. Sigillat dat decimo die Novembri Anno
 Regni Dni nri Jacobi Dei gra Ruge franc. Grolia et Libine Regis
 fidi et. Bealee, aut decimale in hoc presentis of et a personis suis.

After my deere & artie commendacions. forasmuch as I am verie re-
 cibly given to understand by the relation of o^r loving neighbour and
 friend Martine. Serbington of Nantonne in the countie of
 Northampton, that was continued o^r dwelling place, that yo^r are
 purposed to alienate yo^r inheritance in Browningtowne - mappeo;
 w^{ch} if yo^r bee, then of yo^r own tounes kindness, I beseech yo^r v^{er}
 maie. take the same for my money giving ad any other wize for it

Jo: Davies of Hereford.

amentably complayning shewing unto yo^r honorable good Lo: yo^r poore
 Suppliaunt, ^{Benjamin} ^{Broomfield} of London in
 the Countie of Middlesex husbandman; And, ^{Whitson} ^{Waggoner}
 of Mountgommery Carpenter: That whereas yo^r said poore
 Suppliaunt became bound in one Obligation of the summe of
 one hundred pounds for the payment of the moiety thereof, unto

To Dauides of Heref
 To Dauides of Hereford
 O

15
and it please yo^r honorable good Lo^r to be advertised that upon the 15th of
this instant 15th September, we happened to put in for fresh water
in the fflow of the Hellen, and was in company with many adven-
turers amongst w^{ch} this was one, and some were comitted to yo^r honor, because
we would have you satisfied in that adventures report may be made.

To: Davies of Hereford.

May it please yo^r good Lo: to be advertised, that I have according to yo^r Com-
 mandment or Commandment appoynted. I have severall persons I have nominated,
 and have wth all possible circumspection removed them to be on in the common
 Coals for the County of Northumberland, as is last mentioned by the
 bringer of yo^r Lo: I have twice I have an eye to according to yo^r trust in the re-
 posed; and when I have understood yo^r further pleasure concerning them, I will
 write do therein accordingly. I am, I humbly take leave, this 7 of 37

To: Davies of Heref.

It is a most commendable & convenient
 thing to should the pen prosperie: as in
 this present
 enlisment
 nner of
 example



Jo. Davies scrip: Fran. Inglenram
 sculpsit. **R**

L. A. B. C. D. E. F.
G. H. I. K. L.
M. N. O. P. Q.
R. S. T. V.
W. X. Y. Z.

A A A A a a a B B B B b b b C c C c
D D D D d d d d E E E e e e F f F f
G G G G g g g g H H H H h h h h
I i I i i i i j j j j k k k k
l l l l m m m m n n n n o o o o p p p p
q q q q r r r r s s s s t t t t u u u u
v v v v w w w w x x x x y y y y z z z z

John Davies of Hereford

flourish

flourish

more

Before I was humbled, I committed sinne and demeaned my selfe
verie much amisse; but since o omnipotent creator of all things
I haue kept thine commaundementes; the obseruation whereof
bringeth with it immortall rewards. Make mee therefore
obedient to thine immaculate commaundements, my daiely studie.


A. a. a. b. b. c. c. d. d. e. e. f. f. g. g. h. h. i. k. k. l. m. n.
o. p. p. q. u. e. q. r. i. s. s. s. t. t. v. s. t. v. u. w. w. x. x. y. y. o. z. z. G.
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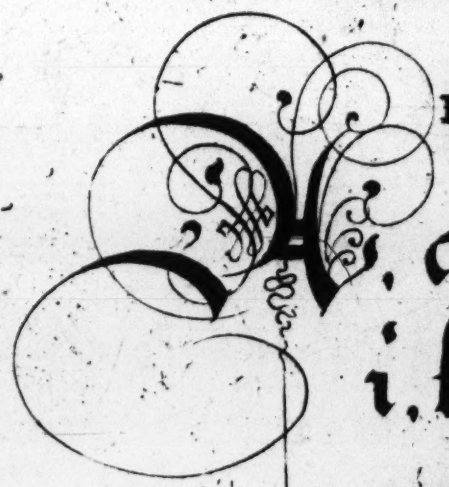
I haue chosen the cleane and most immaculate waie
of thie commaundements; I haue not forgotten thy
testimonies: Remoue from mee the way of iniqui-
tie; and according to thie commaundementes direct
thou me: Plead thou my cause o omnipotent IeHo-
ua: for many are mine enemies, o Lord, thou knowest.

Io. Dauies.

The honor due vnto parents, is none otherwise to bee vnderstanded. but to iudge commendable, reuerentlie, & honorably of our parents; and to esteeme well of all their doings. not onely as of elders. but principally because they bee parents whom god vsed as instruments to bring vs to this transitorie being whiche we haue.

Jo. Davies of Heref.


 Innumerable are the
 greivances, and incumbrances
 which every moment of tyme
 doe accompany this fraile life.


 a, a, b, b, c, c, d, d, e, e, f, f, g, g, h, h,
 i, k, l, l, m, m, n, o, o, p, p, q, q, r, r,
 s, t, t, u, u, v, v, v, v, z, z, z.

Sapiencia est rerum diuinarum et humanarum scientia cognitioque,
 quod cuiusque rei causa sit: ex qua efficitur, ut diuina imitetur,
 humana omnia inferiora virtute ducit. Mater omnium bonorum
 actuum est sapientia: a cuius amore, Praeceptorum Philosophi nomen
 inuenit quia nihil a Deo immortalibus ubique nihil. Breuius omnium
 generi datum est.

Th. Davies.

Mio: Francesco Diminuito mio a moreuolissime Moltia nni, molta fatic
ca, et Moltia carta ho consumato per ritrouare, inuoui caratteri corsini cancell
lari Romani, da me poi posti in uso et insegnati come bruiissimi sapete. Ho
ra a giouamento, e beneficio d'ogniuno mie parso conueniente, et farne sti
pare et intagliare, con mia grandissima spesa, le presenti forme uelocissime,
et con esse leuere et facilissime regole: alle quali accostandoni, et seruendoci
dalla lra stentata, et affettata, e de impigrisce la mano, ui accrescerete in ques^{ta}

V^{ro} come fello Affettion^m Io: Dauis.

A a. b. b. c. d. e. f. g. g. S. E. i. k. l. m. n. o. p. q. r. s. r. s. t. t. u. v. u. w. x. y. y. z. C.

James Monnington your seruantes Thomas Becommount
and Ferdinand Gnmerson came immediatly upon the receipt
of Mr Mountgommersleys les, to demaunde the money wherby
gaue mine Sonest not yet impeached word for; Sec hatd sent the
moitie of your summe; and I haue made out the other moitie

To: Davies of Hereford.

If it all mightie graunt thee victorie and thine ene-
 my for his saueguard. Runne thee by flight to some
 place impregnable, as it were, in no wise, saied the
 prudent martialist permitte thou him to rest; but *Here*
 immediatlie assault while he is in immoderate
 state; lest permitting him, hee gather head against

John Davies of Hereford *dd*

Preserve mee o immaculate and immortal Jesus
 in walking in y^e waie of y^e commaundementes whiche
 is the waie that continuallie conducts to sempiternall
 blessednesse and immortal happinesse. Make
 mee to runne in the uncontaminated path of the ever
 most pious commaundements, and rigorous precepts.

John Davies of Hereford. Ec

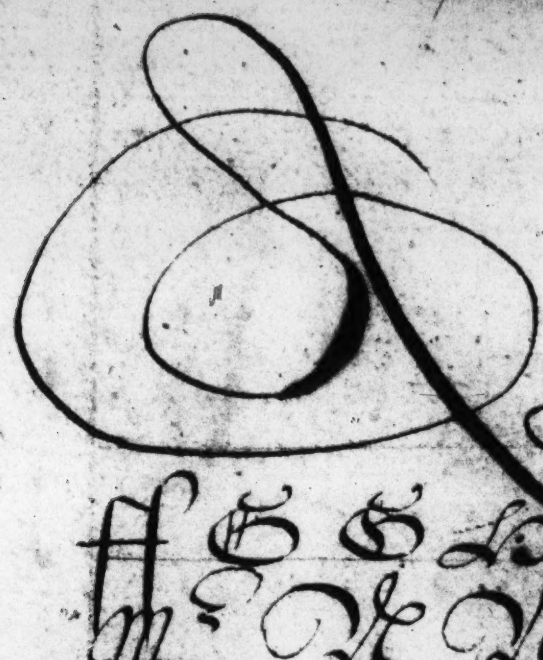
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C 6 B


Jacobus dei gra Anglie Scotie Francie & Hibnie Rex ~
 fidei defensor &c. Viri uide saltem tibi precipimus qd ~
 anteq perueni Scitumont Aquignum Ita qd cum henc
 rogam nob in Cantellarij D nra in Quindenat dci &c

31
Omnibus ad quos prelo scriptum pervenit salutem in domino sempiternam. Quia quodammodo quodammodo
scriptum est in munificencia iustitiae concessum et donatum est per presentes concedimus
et donamus dilectis et fidelibus subdito nostro Edmundo regni Anglorum de Gallegio
et Cantuariensis in universitate Cantuariensis in regno per unum per unum
ad rationem donationem collationem presentationem libertatem et dispositionem

A A B C D E F G H I K L M N O P Q R S T U V X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q r s t u v x y z

 A A B B C C D D E E
F F G G H H I I J J K K L L M M
N N O O P P Q Q R R S S T T U U
V V W W X X Y Y Z Z

A a b b c c d d e e f f g g h h i i k k l l m n n o
p p q q r r s s t t u u v v w w x x y y z z
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Mrs Ireland

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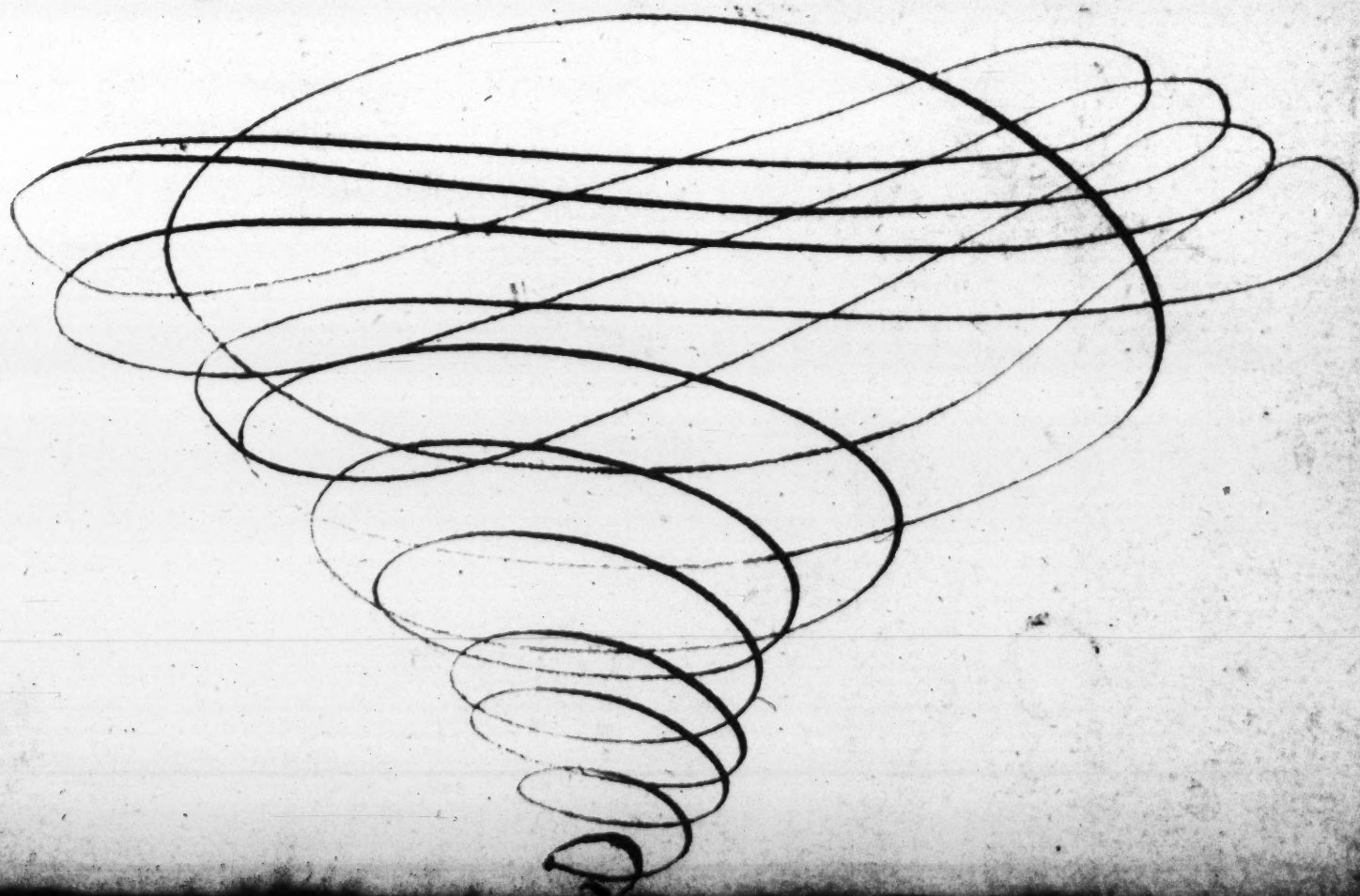
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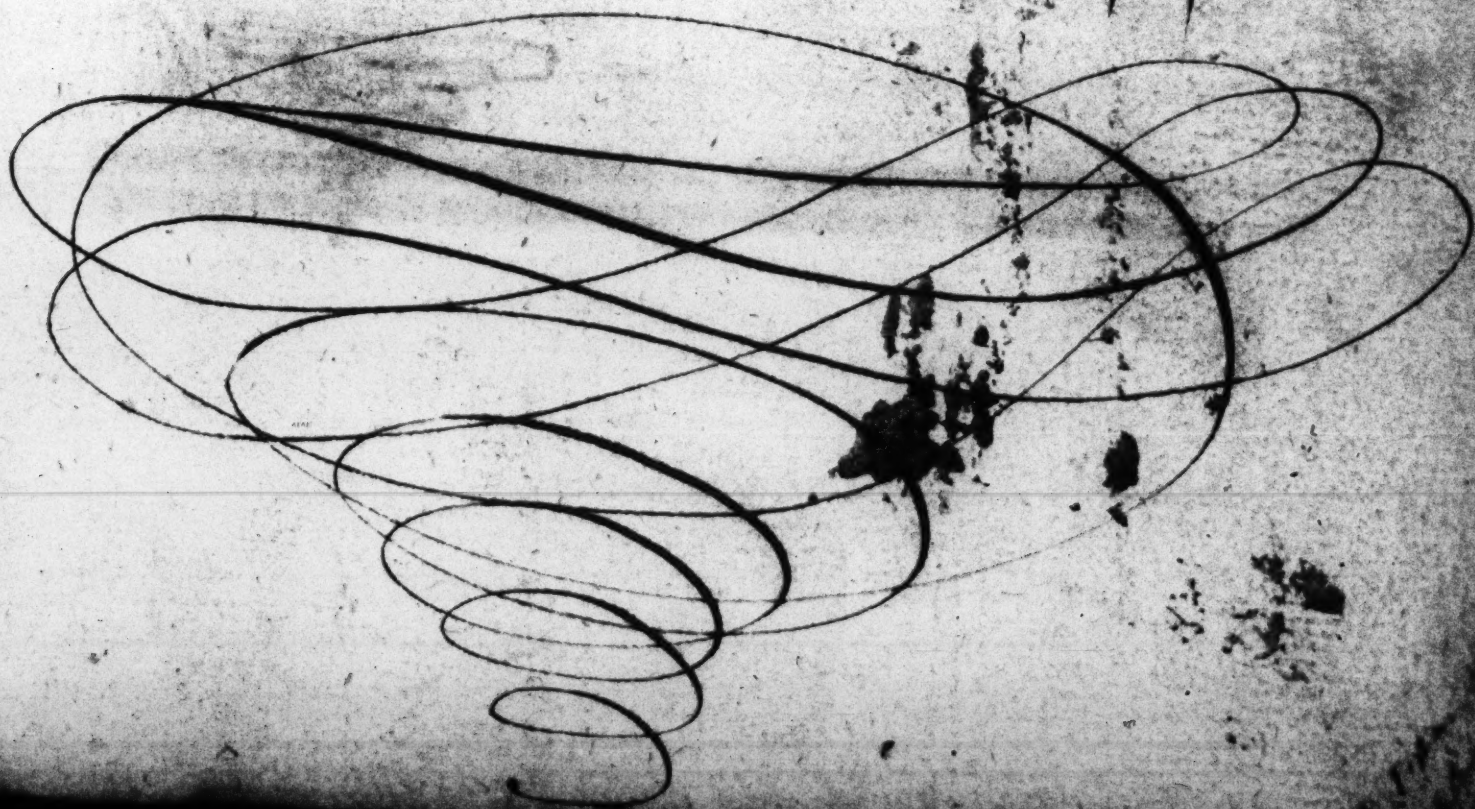
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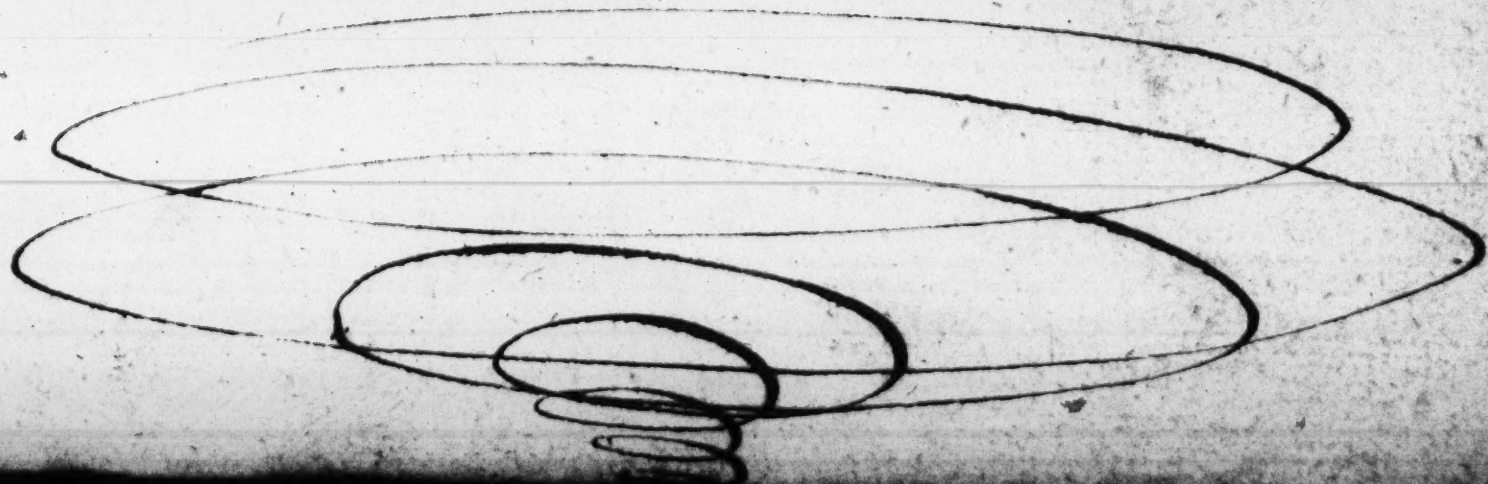
knowledge then to knowe himselfe, no more
pleasure then to enjoy himselfe, no more
riches then to content himselfe, and no more
victory then to overcome himselfe. W. L.

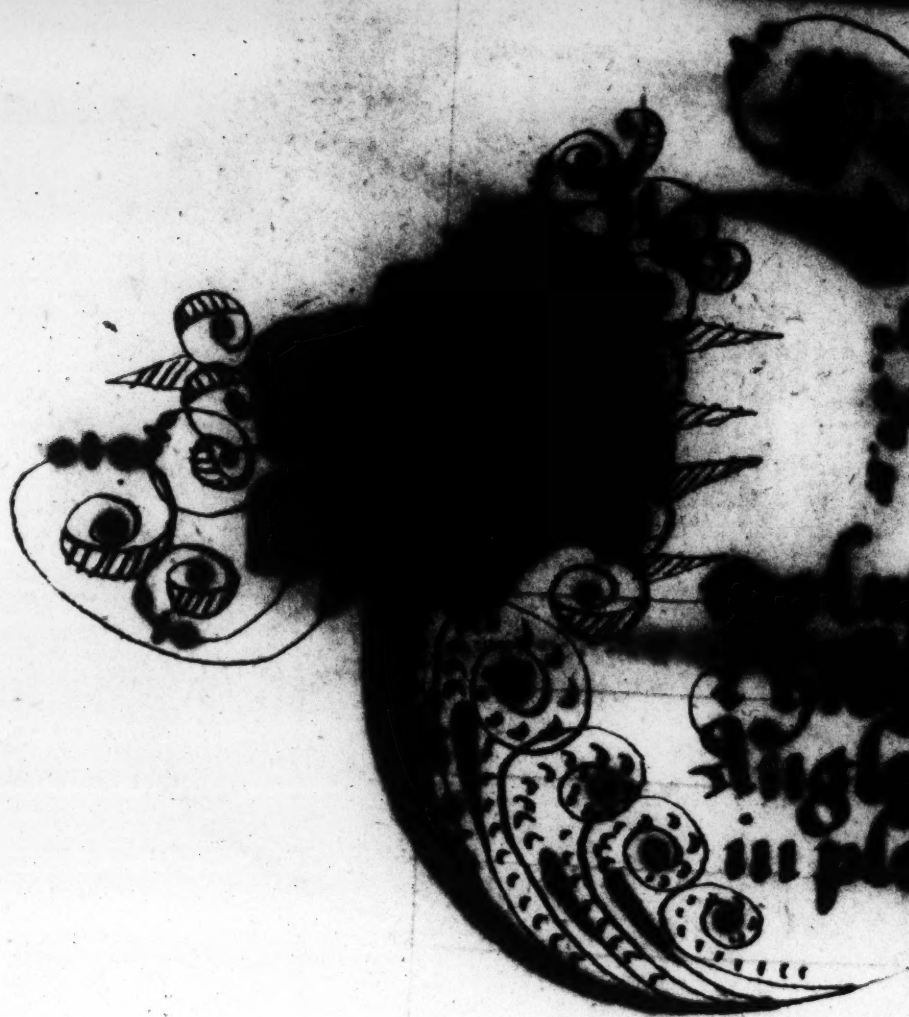




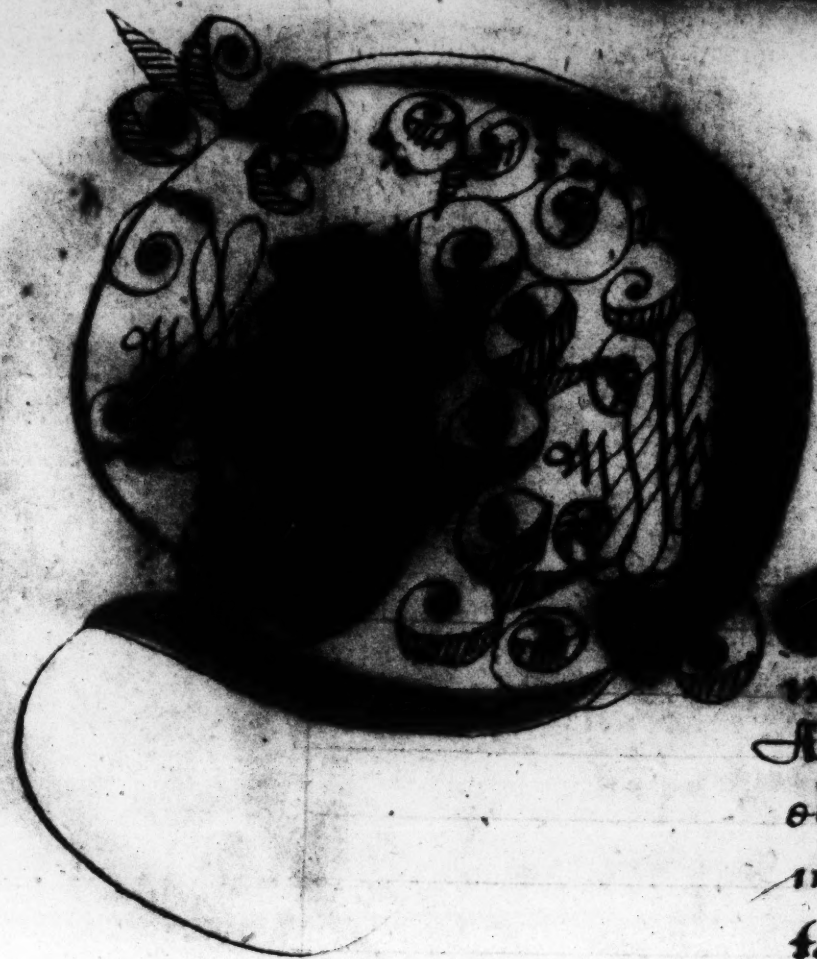
Discreetly
with a godly man whom thou knowest to
keepe the comandements of the Lord, whose
mynd is according to thy mynd, and will
sorrow with thee if thou shalt miscarie &

me suis addit



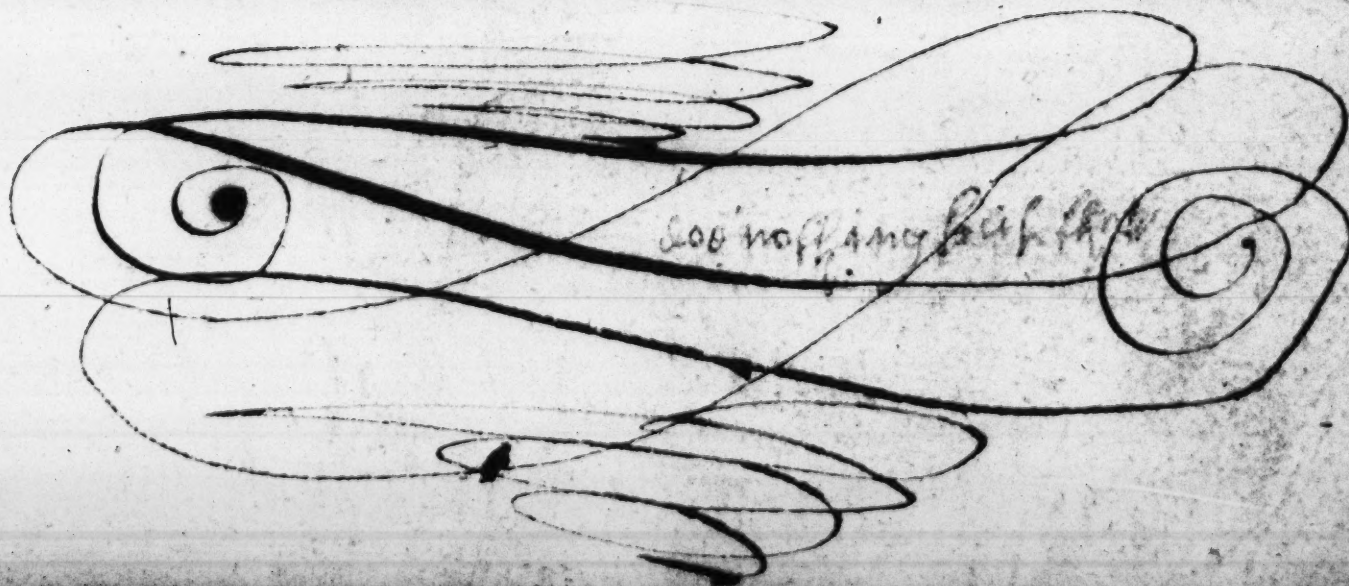


Propter hoc etiam dicitur quod
Anglicus apud nos presumpsit tibi quod
in plenis huiusmodi top de sanctis
propter hoc fac loquetur que est

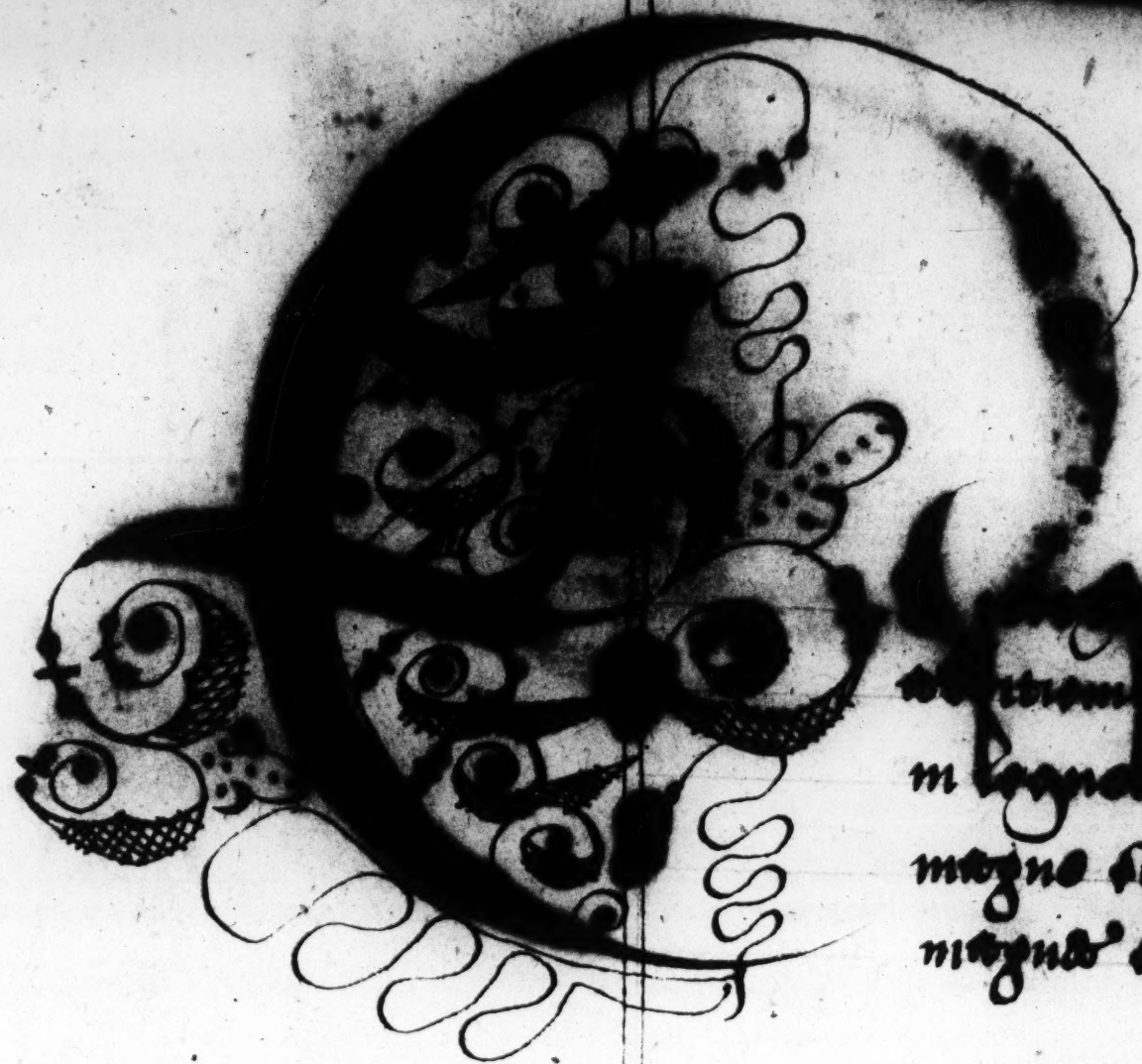


or nothing but that

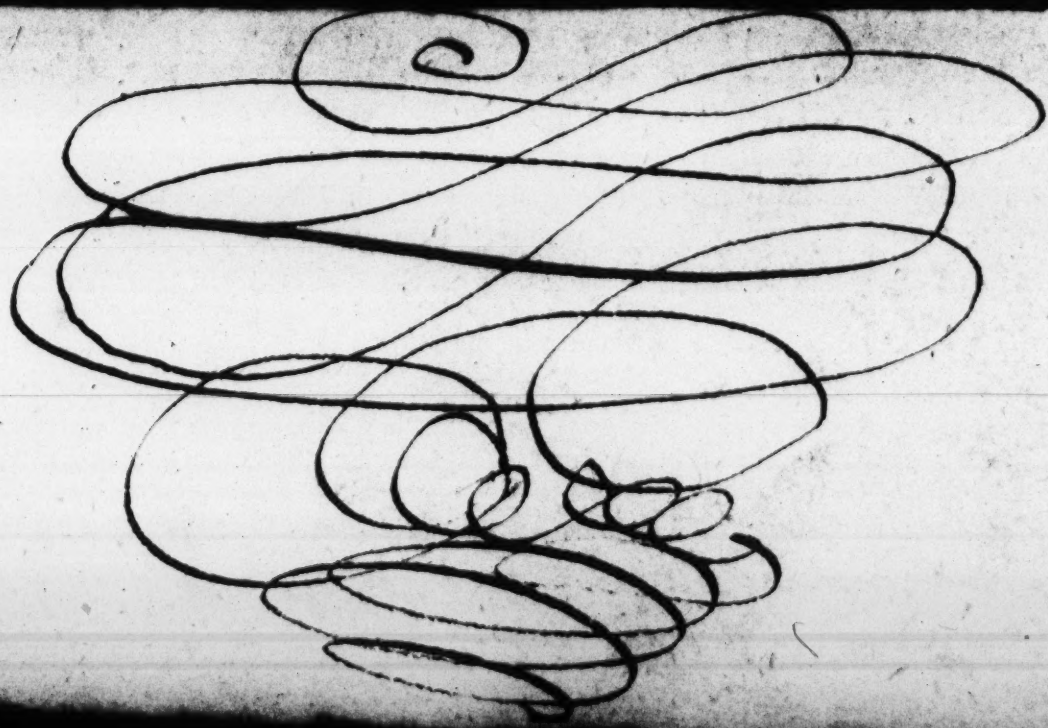
which is rightfull and iust. cleave to the truth
Abstaine from vice: give place to yo^r betters and
elders. refraine from swearing, motato vertue:
moderate yo^r lusts and affections praise sonest
things and late debate, be mercifull to the poore



See nothing but that



Quia illud quibusdam patris cognitus dno
admirandus nomen loci hoc loco pto pto m
in lignis illi conspiciuntur hoc coram iustis nro
magna sessione nro com tui dno lino m p
magna sessione nro m com tuo bono dno dno





sences doe in every man maintaine.
A Government of power to rule and raigie
Hearing, seeing, feeling, tasting, smelling,
Which all at death will leave & see and their
dwelling



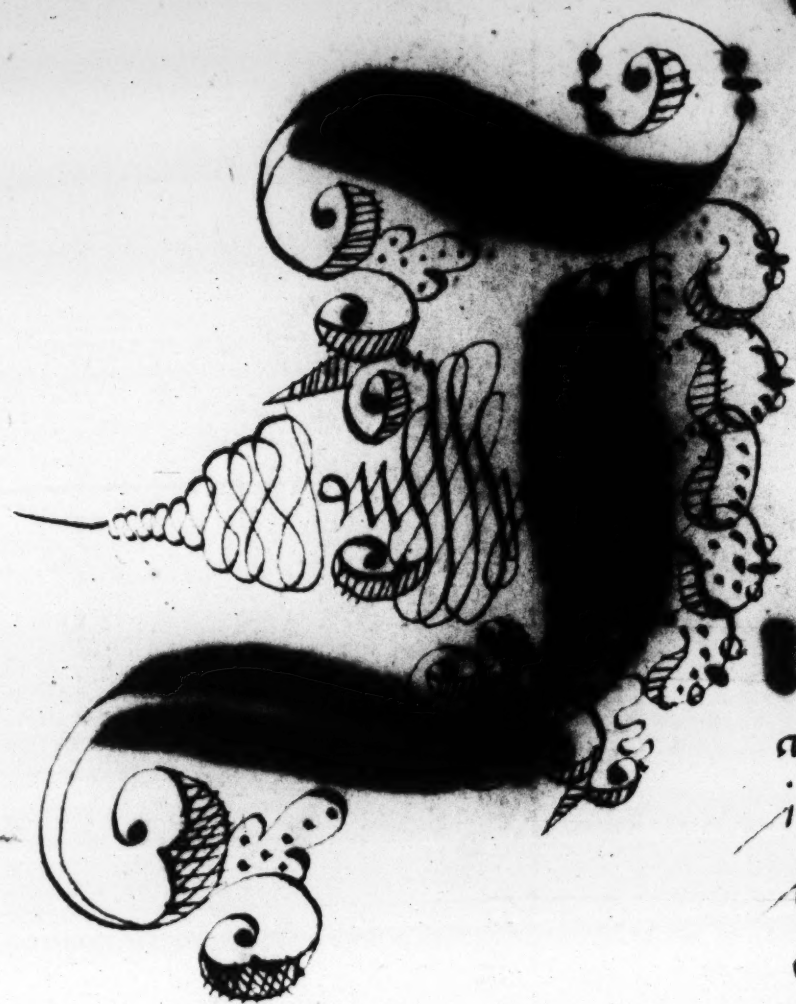
and travell is created
for every man. and a
heavy yoke is upon the
sonnes of Adam.





What you would

a matter to his inward friend would be advised. If he
imparts a resolved businessse, would have it concealed.
In the first Case, y^e Counsellour must vnlocke his
heart. in the other hee must sealee vsi his lippes.
For it is dangerous to be of a Great mans Counsell, and
not to keep it



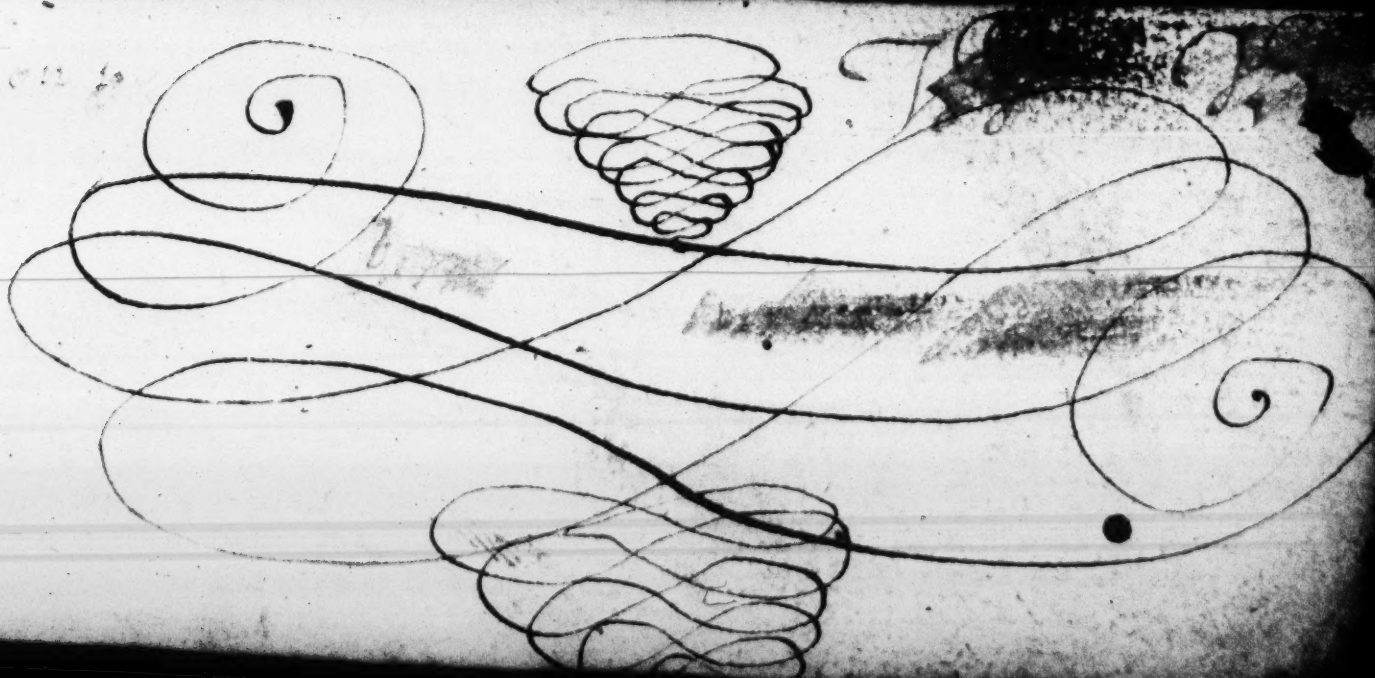
innumerable are the

annoyances, injuries, intumbrances, indangements,
intommodities, taxes and inconveniences, which every
moment of time accompanieth this vale of momentary
and transitory vanitie. Prayer is the onely mean
to shunne these grievous and most common evils.



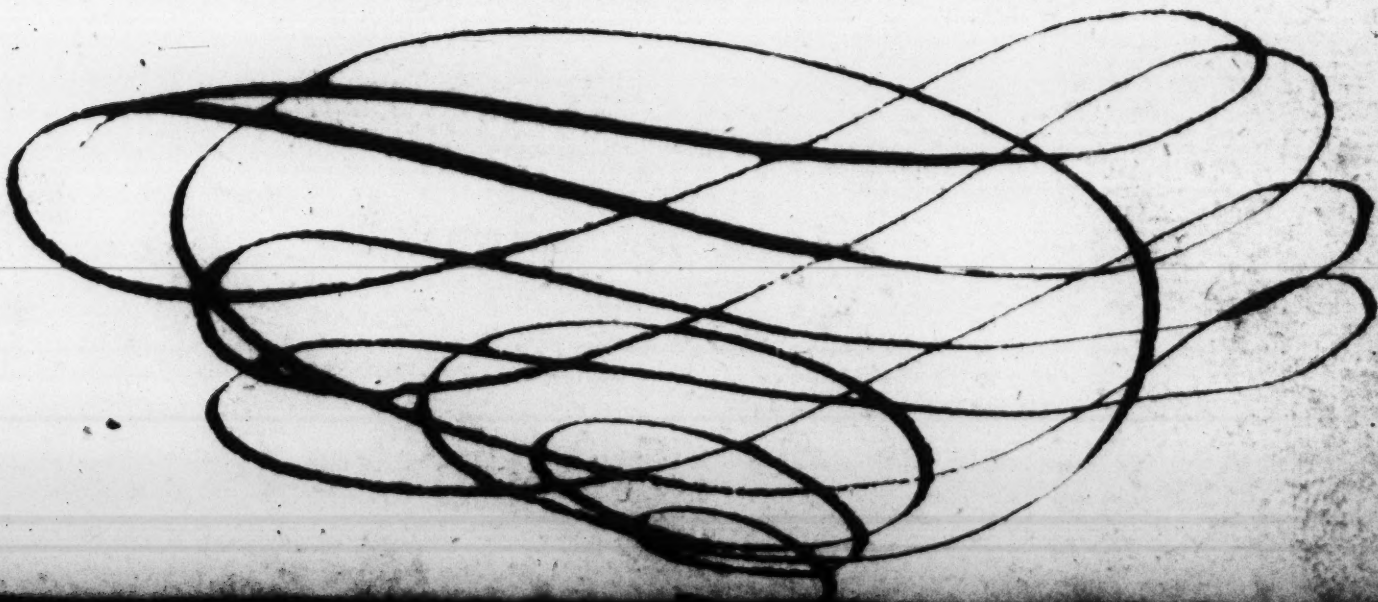
eepe my commandments and live
and my lawe as the apple of thine eye
binde them vpon thy fingers, write them
vpon the table of thine heart.

Reuerend





if thy spech be short
comprehending much
in fewe wordes ==





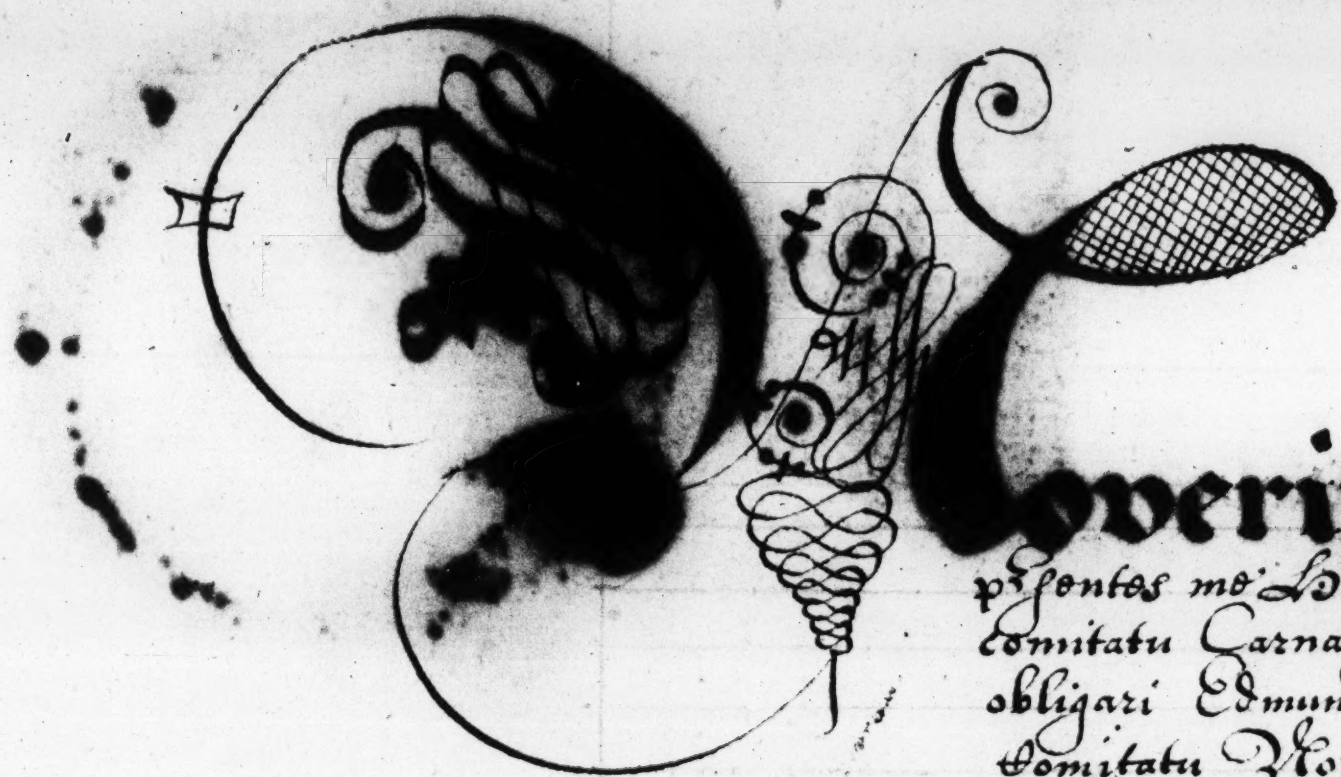
Si hanc

Dauid make a man
or a woman and is more commodious and
commendable then playing vpon any
manner of instrument of musickes as viol
tabret lute: or any other such instrume

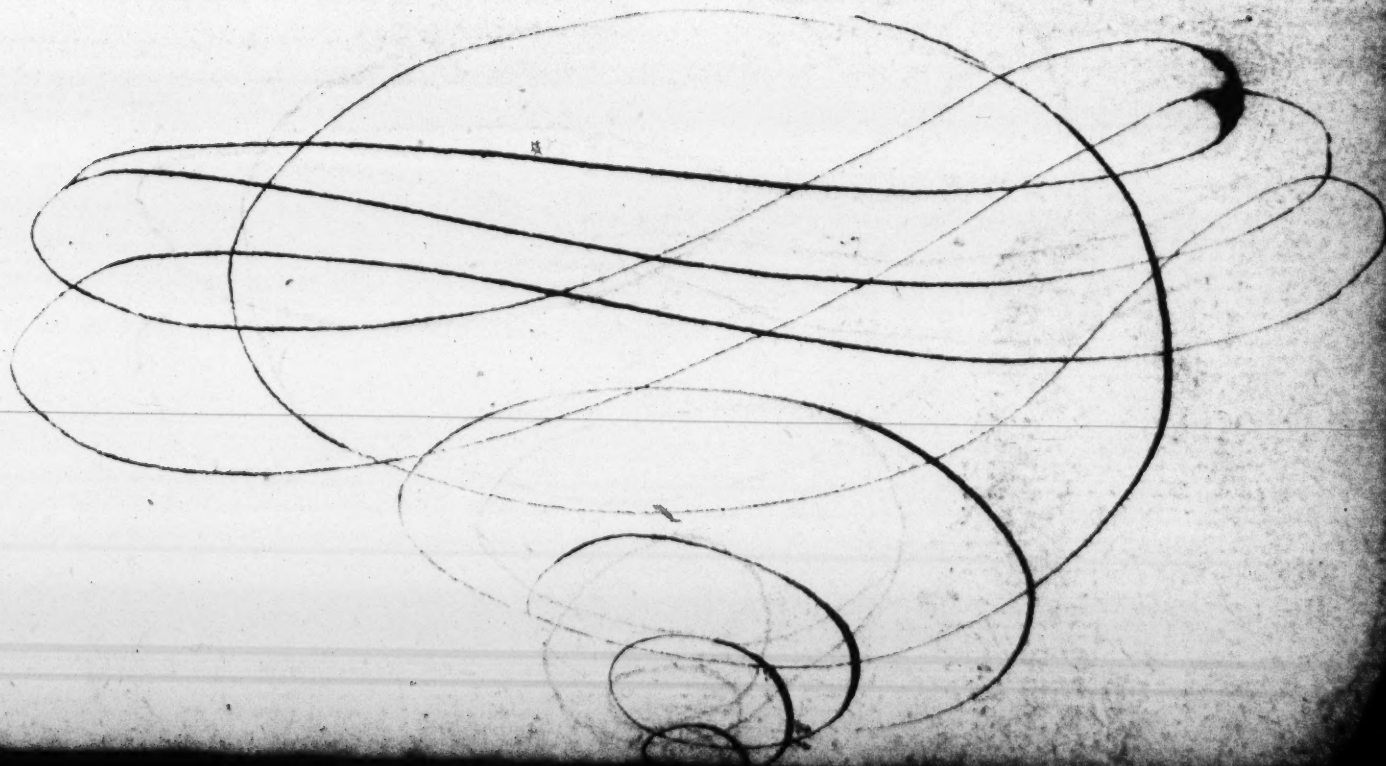
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His





Coverint universi per
p[re]sentes mo[do] Henricum Bonimont de Sapinor in
comitatu Carnarvon Armigerum. Teyori et firmiter
obligari Edmundo Herington de Normingdownes in
comitatu Northampton generoso in Centum libris
bono et legalis m[er]ito Anglie solvendi eidem Edm[un]do

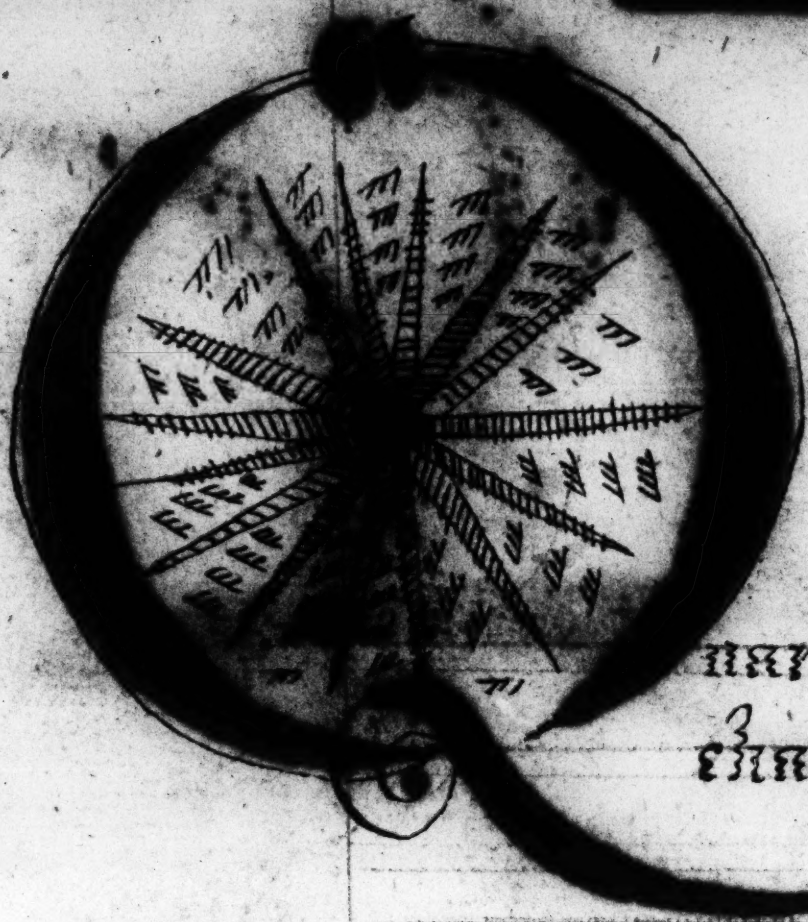




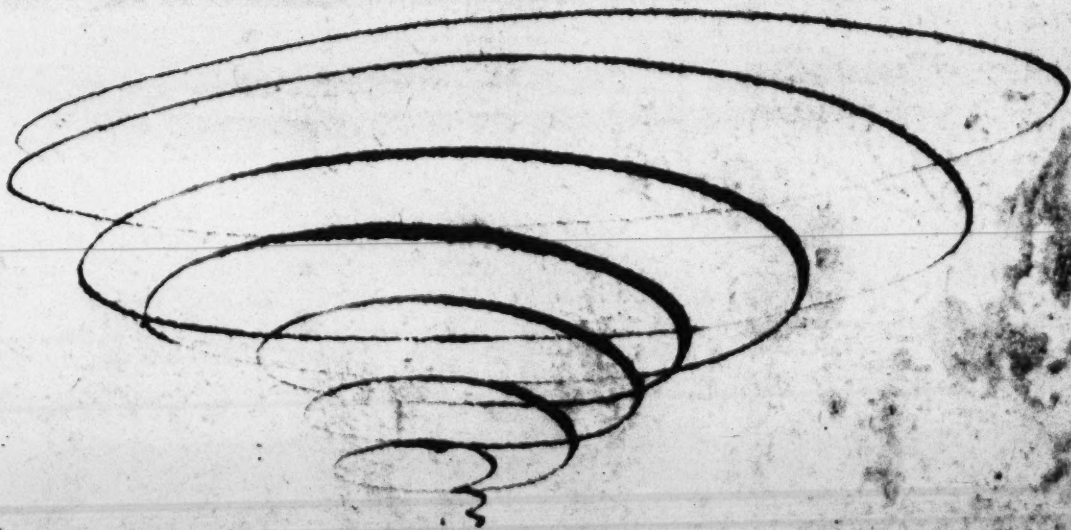
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O Lord thou high commander of all things whatsoeuer,
Send me some grace ■ thee entreate to me soe greate a sinne
My soule is heavy laden with euery sinfull burthen,
Onely thou some ease canst bring. o mightie king of heaue

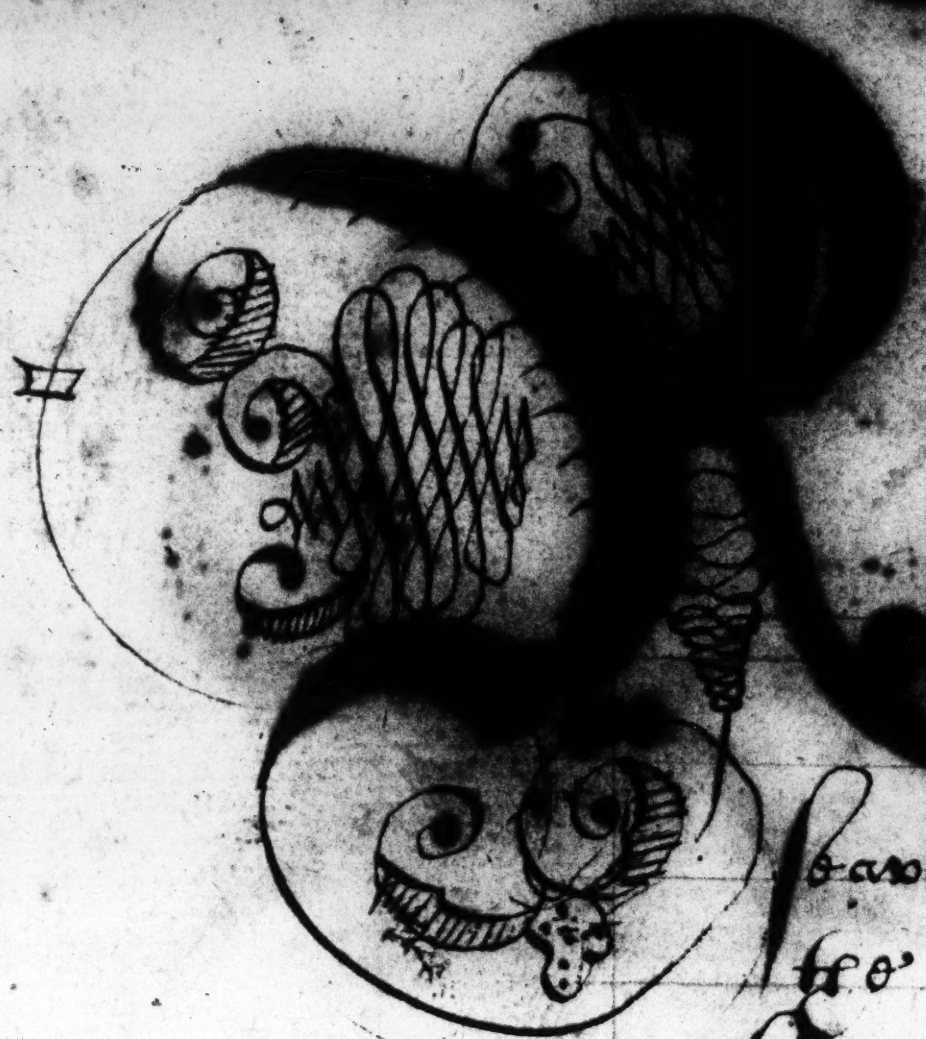


Overthie and shaine is
to him that Refuseth instruction but See
that regard to correction shall be known
A desire accomplished delighteth the son
but it is an abomination to fools to depart
from evil doing



warrell not wvith a mightie man leasf thou
chance to fall into his hands, and make
not variance wvith a rich man leasf
he happen to bring up an hard quarrell
against thee.





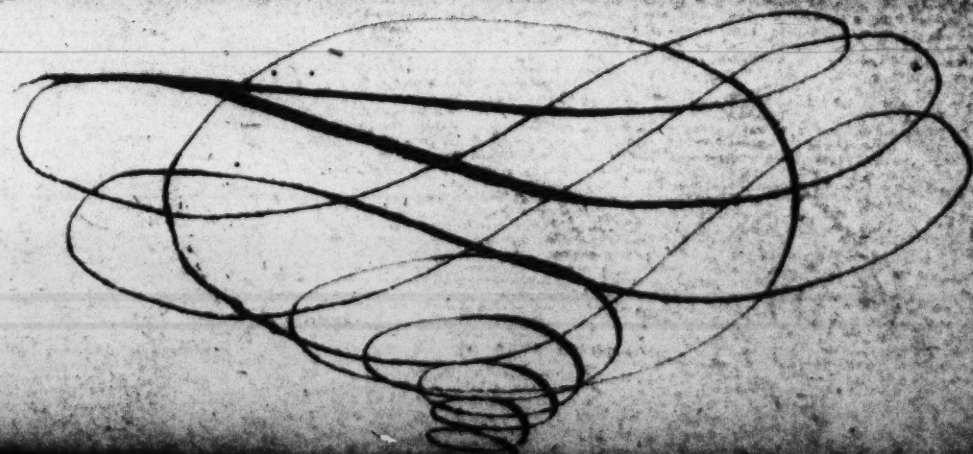
the ninth day of
August one thousand six hundred first
year of Thomas Mortimer of Hampton in
the county of Northampton yeoman to
summe of thirtie thousand pounds of Lawfull money

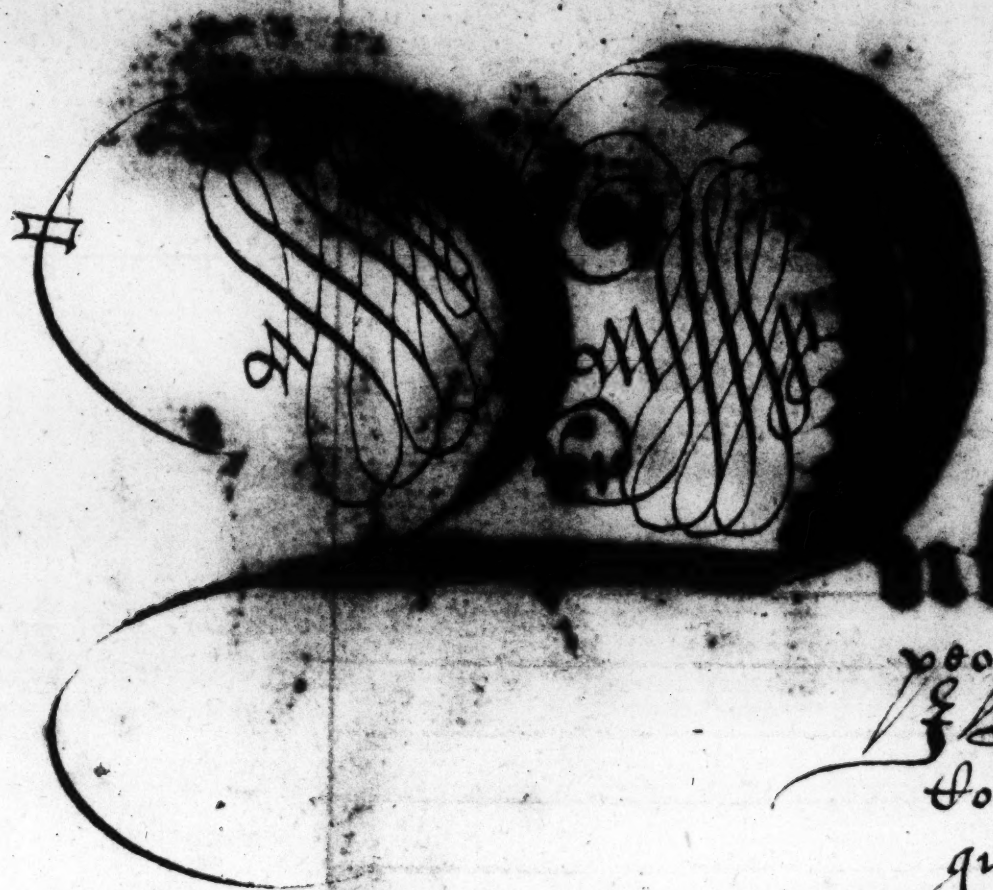


uch wives as had
rather haue vnwise husbands whom they might rule
then to be ruled by sober wise men. are like to him which
would rather leade a blinde man in an vknownne waie
cannot finde y^e right waie, then to follow a prudent
learned wise man y^e can both see and knowe y^e perfect
way well.



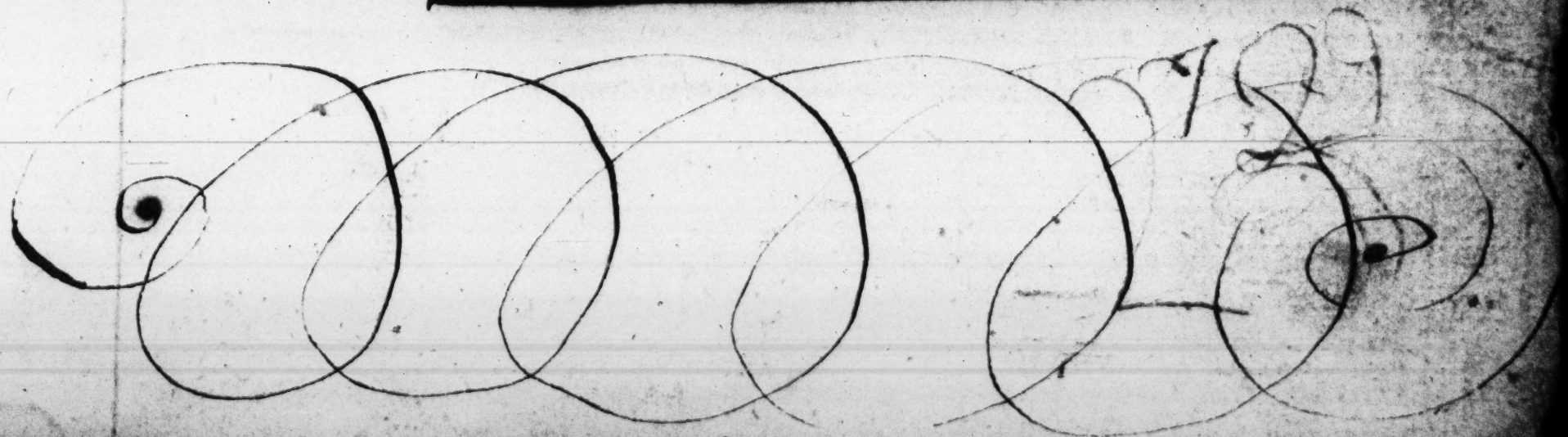
Punderature made
the ninth day of August in the
thirteenth year of the reign of
Soveraign Lord Charles the
the great of God King of Eng





unto all true & pious

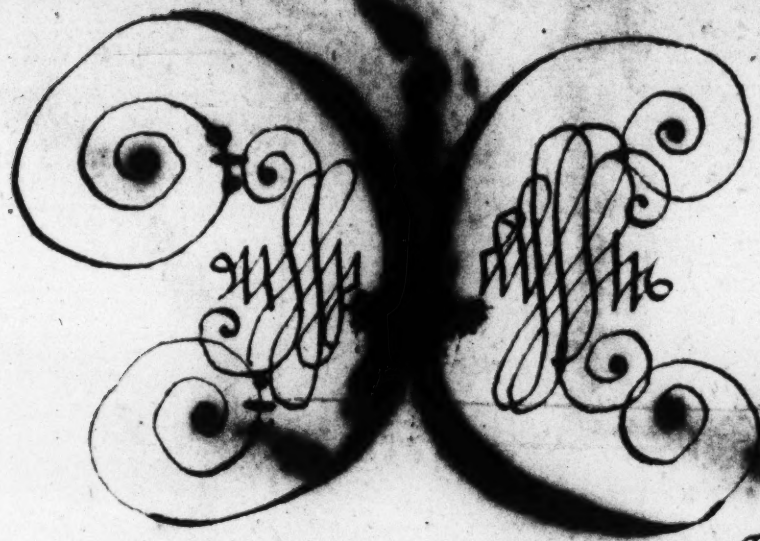
people to whom this present writing shall come
Edmund Harmer of Parkington in the
County of Northampton Esq. do
give and graunte and by these presents
doe give and graunte unto George Somers
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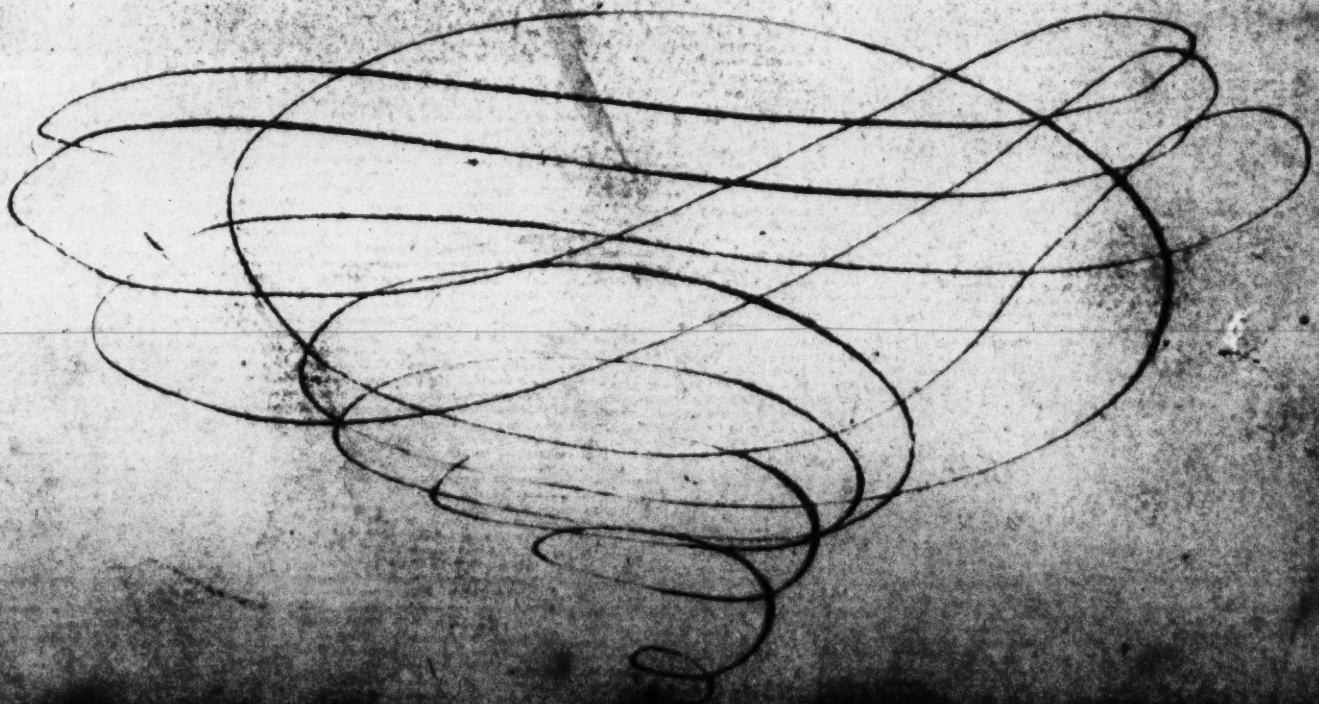


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